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Re: Application of Peter William STRATFORD, Alistair Stewart TAYLOR, Vincent James O'BYRNE, John Tom CLARKE and Denis Dominic HEALY  
BALLOON EXPANDABLE STENT  
Assignee: **BIOCOMPATIBLES LIMITED**  
Our Ref: Q67462

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and in accordance with Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☒ a copy of the International publication.
- ☒ International Search Report, Information Disclosure Statement and a Form PTO-1449.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment

The Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment, will be submitted at a later date.

It is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by § 371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned can easily provide them upon request.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>37</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>17</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$306.00</u>
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The Office is directed and authorized to charge the statutory filing fee of \$1196.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.492 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
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Respectfully submitted,

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